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FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

LS 6669 NOTE PREPARED: Jan 15, 2014 **BILL NUMBER:** HB 1117 **BILL AMENDED:** Jan 14, 2014

SUBJECT: Hoosier Women Veterans Program.

FIRST AUTHOR: Rep. Macer BILL STATUS: CR Adopted - 1st House

FIRST SPONSOR:

FUNDS AFFECTED: X GENERAL IMPACT: State

DEDICATED FEDERAL

<u>Summary of Legislation:</u> The bill establishes the Hoosier Women Veterans Program to provide information and services to Indiana's women veterans. It also establishes the Hoosier Women Veterans Program Fund.

Effective Date: (Amended) January 1, 2015.

Explanation of State Expenditures: Hoosier Women Veterans Program - The bill would require the Indiana Department of Veterans' Affairs (IDVA) to implement the new program and hire a women veterans coordinator who would be responsible for the administration of the program under the direction and supervision of the director of the IDVA. The compensation of the coordinator would be about \$94,000, which includes fringe benefits and indirect costs. In addition to the coordinator's salary and benefits, other costs would include computing and communication equipment and mileage and travel reimbursement for the coordinator. Current IDVA personnel would provide support for the women veterans coordinator, so no additional staff would be hired.

The additional funds and resources required by this bill could be supplied with existing resources currently being used in another program, new appropriations, and any other revenue to the Hoosier Women Veterans Program Fund. Ultimately, the source of funds and resources required to satisfy the requirements of this bill will depend on legislative and administrative actions.

Hoosier Women Veterans Program Fund - The bill establishes this fund, which would be administered by the IDVA and would consist of appropriations from the General Assembly, gifts, and grants. The amount of revenue and appropriations that would be deposited in the fund is not known.

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Explanation of State Revenues:

Explanation of Local Expenditures:

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State Agencies Affected: Indiana Department of Veterans' Affairs.

Local Agencies Affected:

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